

**TODAY and
TOMORROW**

An Eye Opener

THE debate on Burma in the House of Commons has once again underlined the fact that Britain has no intention of leaving Burma to the Burmans. Both the Tories and the Labourites are agreed about it. The Tory Secretary of State for Burma, Amery, seeks to foist upon Burma a new constitution which reeks with equivocation, and is reminiscent of old imperialism. It is a scheme, in the words of John Hynd, to safeguard the British capitalistic interests in Burma.

If this is the destiny that the British are planning for a country that has been actually enjoying the taste of independence for the last two years, it is small wonder that they mean to do little or nothing by way of advancing the cause of India's independence. True, it is reported that Wavell is returning from London with some proposals for resolving the Indian deadlock. But it is authoritatively learned, that these proposals do not involve any far-reaching changes in the Indian Constitution, but that they merely aim at securing the co-operation of all parties in India in Britain's war against Nippon. In fact, when Ernest Bevin and Clement Attlee, on behalf of the Labour Party, said the other day that they stand by the Cripps' Proposals, they left no loophole for India's hope even from the British Labour Party.

But unfortunately for the British Imperialists who are determined to keep their stranglehold on countries like India and Burma, they are now being haunted by the spectre of Russian Communism penetrating these territories. A world travelled journalist and Republican representative of Connecticut, Clare Booth Luce, speaks of increasing Soviet influence among Indian intellectuals, and states that India is fast becoming honey-combed with Communist agents who have had efficient training in subversive propaganda. She winds up her sensational disclosures with this ominous forecast, "Unless Britain and the United States join in taking some definite steps towards giving India a firm date line for independence, we will see the inclusion of India in the Soviet Union within the next decade."

But will America and Britain respond to this by letting Indians run their own Government? Certainly not. India is the pivot of the British Empire, and if that country goes out of it, the Anglo-American Imperialisms will have lost their main bastion in Asia, and England will automatically be reduced to a third rate power. In the circumstances Indians have no other go but to wrest their long lost freedom from unwilling British hands.

Scattered Foe Daylight Raids On Tainan Sector

Taihou, June 1 (Domei)—Approximately 100 enemy bombers and fighters operating from the Philippines carried out scattered daylight raids on Taiwan on Wednesday. Appearing in several waves the main enemy strength raided the Tainan sector.

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Foe Penetrates Into Naha And Shuri Sectors

Enemy Admits Seriousness Of Nippon Air Assaults Against Warcraft

Tokyo, June 4 (Domei)—Enemy forces in Main Okinawa Island on May 31 finally penetrated into the city of Naha and the old walled city of Shuri, it was disclosed here today. Part of the enemy forces continuing further their southward advance from points near Yonabaru were reported to have reached Inabushi, about three kilometres south of Yonabaru and meeting with stiff resistance from the Nippon forces. The enemy in this sector, making desperate attempts to break through our main defence positions, is now throwing in all of his firstline strength, totalling approximately seven divisions.

Lisbon, June 2 (Domei)—A United Press message from Washington today for the first time recognized the seriousness of Nippon special aerial attack corps assaults and revealed that American authorities are deeply concerned over the effect Nippon's latest tactics will have on future American operations in the Pacific.

American naval observers were reported to believe that the success of Nippon special aerial attack corps tactics off Okinawa might force the Pacific High Command to change ships and equipment and also tactical methods in order to meet the threat which they consider as serious as the German submarine offensive of 1942.

Paul V. McNutt, Director of the American Manpower Commission, referring to the latest Nippon death-defying tactics, was quoted as saying that "the end of the war may be seriously delayed."

McNutt, the dispatch recalled, recently disclosed that American West Coast shipyards were being flooded with battle-damaged ships streaming in from the Okinawa front, while American President Harry Truman and Navy Secretary James Forrestal also have referred to the serious shipping situation.

Another Belated Disclosure Of American Naval Losses

Lisbon, June 2 (Domei)—In another belated disclosure of American naval losses, the United States Navy Department today revealed that 72 officers and men of the American destroyer "Zeallars" were killed or wounded when the ship was heavily damaged by a Japanese special attack corps bomber off Okinawa on April 12, according to a Washington dispatch.

The disclosure was made with the arrival of the crippled destroyer at Wilmington, California, today. The superstructure of the destroyer had a gaping hole and miscellaneous damage was caused throughout the warcraft by fire and explosions.

ENEMY'S COLOSSAL LOSSES IN WARSHIPS OFF OKINAWA, 566 VESSELS SUNK, DAMAGED

Tokyo, June 2 (Domei)—Imperial Headquarters' communique yesterday announcing our latest additional war results scored against enemy surface craft in Okinawa waters brought to 566 the aggregate total of enemy warcraft sunk or heavily damaged since March 23. The breakdown of these figures follows:—

	Sunk	Heavily Damaged	Or Sunk	Total
Aircraft Carriers	15	16	2	33
Battleships	14	13	1	28
Battleships or Cruisers	4	18	1	23
Battleship or Transport	1	—	—	1
Large-size Warcraft	9	13	5	27
Cruisers	52	26	—	78
Cruisers or Destroyers	10	2	—	12
Cruisers or Transports	1	1	—	2
Destroyers	41	29	—	70
Transports	40	41	—	81
Oil Tanker	1	—	—	1
Oil Tankers Or Aircraft Carrier	—	1	—	1
Landing Barges	16	—	—	16
Warcraft of Unidentified Category	93	90	—	183
Submarine	1	—	—	1
Minesweepers	5	2	—	7
Motor Torpedoboats	—	2	—	2
Total	303	254	9	566

Partial Reshuffle Of Azad Hind Government Cabinet Announced

Undisclosed Base, June 4 (Domei)—A partial shake-up in the Azad Hind Cabinet was effected today when the Provisional Government of Free India announced that Minister of State Sri A. M. Sahay has been appointed to the post of Minister of Manpower, succeeding Lieut.-Colonel Ehsan Qadir. Sri Paramanand, Deputy

Minister of Supplies, is appointed Minister of Supplies while Sri J. A. Thivy, Adviser to the Provisional Government, is named Minister of State and concurrently Secretary to the Provisional Government.

Sri S. A. Ayer, Minister of Publicity and Propaganda, relinquishes his office as Secretary to the Provisional Government.

Burma White Paper Set To Perpetuate Slavery

The House of Commons staged another debate on Burma on Saturday last. The majority of the members of the House approved the so-called White Paper on Burma issued recently by the British Government, which gives the British Governor powers of a military dictator for a period of three years. Criticizing the new constitution which the British Government propose to give to Burma, Labour member, John Hynd, said that the whole scheme reeked with equivocation and was reminiscent of old imperialism. He believed that behind this there must be a determination to defend British capitalistic interests in Burma.

During the course of the debate, Labour member, Cover, admitted that the British have administered India and Burma, not in the interests of the Indians or the Burmese, but only in the interests of the British Empire. Cover uttered a serious warning that if the British Government does not modify its policy, the British Empire will soon be a thing of the past.

Labour member, Sorenson stated that the Burmese will

India Won't Be Fooled By Vague Br. Promises

The London weekly, Economist, admits that Indians will not be fooled by promises similar to that made by Ernest Bevin who said last week that if the Labour Party came into power, it would close the India Office and transfer its functions to the Dominion Office. The journal said that Indians know very well that such a step would not have any practical results and that British policy towards India would remain the same.

Meanwhile, there is considerable agitation in Britain against any further drain on British manpower for the Pacific War. According to a despatch from London, Conservative Member of Parliament, Colonel Walter Elliot, said on Saturday last that the war against Nippon will exact a heavy toll of British manpower. If this is to be avoided, he said, the Indian question must be settled and India's manpower exploited to the fullest extent.

certainly oppose the White Paper, which means nothing more to Burma than degradation to her former slave status in the British Empire.

Nationalist India Condemns British Peace Overtures

Wavell's Efforts To Solve India Deadlock Sure To Be Thrown Overboard

While nationalist India is determined to achieve her complete liberation from the British yoke, British propaganda is working overtime in a frantic effort to deceive the Indian people and the world. Side-tracking the main issue before India, which is the achievement of complete independence, the British are trying to pretend that Lord Wavell, who is now on his way back to India, may succeed in his efforts to solve the political deadlock in India.

According to a despatch from London, observers in New Delhi believe that Wavell, after issuing a statement on the policy of the British Government towards India will call a round table conference of Indian leaders to present a new plan for the reconstruction of the Central Government to make it both representative and strong.

Indian reaction to the British efforts to make political capital out of Wavell's recent discussions with the members of the British Cabinet is one of sheer disgust. Political quarters in India condemn the callous policy of the British who are angling for a compromise with the nationalist elements in India while thousands of India's leaders are still rotting within prisons and the British created famine continues to take a heavy toll of Indian lives.

The British stress on the notorious Cripps' offer being still open to India is being characterised as typical of the bankruptcy of British statesmanship. And the pious hopes of the British that Wavell may succeed in persuading India's leaders to co-operate with him in the prosecution of the war against Nippon are described as typical of British wishful thinking and lack of understanding of the tremendous anti-British spirit that permeates all India today.

Cambodia Government Opens Foreign Ministry

Phnompenh, June 3 (Domei)—With the object of establishing diplomatic relations with Nippon and other countries of East Asia, the kingdom of Cambodia, which declared its independence last month, established a Foreign Ministry on Thursday.

Son Ngoc Thoun has been appointed the first Foreign Minister. The new Minister who is a well-known leader of the Royalist Party recently returned from Nippon where he had lived in exile owing to the difference of religious beliefs during the past regime.

Enemy Plans On Tarakan Now Completely Frustrated

A Nippon Base in the South-West Pacific, June 3 (Domei)—The enemy's attempt to take control of Tarakan Island in short order has been completely frustrated and despite his frantic efforts during the past month the airfield and oil refinery on Tarakan have not yet been available to the enemy for operational purposes. On the other hand, in addition to the destruction of large quantities of arms and ammunition, the enemy has suffered more than 2,000 casualties—30 per cent. of the total strength landed.

Carrying out repeated death-defying charges into enemy positions, Nippon troops not only inflicted heavy losses on the enemy but also captured large quantities of war materials. The frightened enemy is as yet unable to use the airfield, neither is he able as yet to completely repair oilfield establishments which form the main objectives of his Tarakan operations.

Apparently worried over the slow progress of his invasion operation, the enemy since May 16 launched repeatedly general offensives, mobilizing all his available force, but is meeting stiffer resistance by the Nippon garrison which was also greatly strengthened by the arrival of fresh troops.

America Faces Serious Foodstuff Problem

Lisbon, June 3 (Domei)—Emphasizing that the end of the war in Europe and the prospects of intensified operations in the Pacific have greatly increased the demand for more food, American President Harry Truman today strongly urged the American people to produce, preserve and conserve all food possible, according to a Washington message.

Never before does the nation need more food than it does today, Truman said.

Truman stressed the urgency for more food, pointing out that food must be kept moving along thousands of miles of America's extended supply lines. He said that more food is demanded by American troops in Europe, because they were switching over from combat rations to regular meals.

Besides military requirements, Truman said that the Americans are obligated to meet the needs of the "liberated" countries. "There can be no lasting peace in a hungry world," he said.

Faulty Construction Cause U.S. Shipping Disasters

Lisbon, June 2 (Domei)—Vice-Admiral Emory S. Land, Head of the United States War Shipping Administration, yesterday revealed that 15 American ships, including eight riveted and seven welded vessels, have broken in two at sea as the result of faulty construction, according to a Washington dispatch.

He failed, however, to disclose the nature of the breakage or whether any loss of life was involved. Haste in building owing to stringent shipping needs and poor materials used are believed to have caused the disasters.

Russia Adamant; No Compromise On Veto Rights

Lisbon, June 2 (Domei)—Hopes that the San Francisco Conference would speedily emerge from its present bogged down state disappeared definitely yesterday when the Soviet Union rejected any compromise of the big powers' right to veto, according to a Reuter dispatch from San Francisco.

"Russian unwillingness to yield an inch on the veto question," the dispatch said, "is a major disappointment to most of the United Nations' delegations whose discussions have been severely handicapped sometimes by this overriding central controversy in which the small nations, led by Australian Minister for External Affairs Dr. Herbert Evatt, have put up a challenging fight."

The Soviet move was reported to have shattered the hopes that Moscow would finally agree to some concession on the veto question, thus placating to some extent the small and medium-sized powers who have been so outspoken on the matter.

Meantime, American President Harry Truman's trip to address the projected final plenary session of the San Francisco Conference round about June 6 has been postponed, owing to the delay in the Conference's progress, the White House announced today.

Soviet Technical Experts To Advise Yen'an Govt.

Shanghai, June 3 (Domei)—Information reaching here reveals that a party of 20 Soviet technical experts arrived in Yen'an on May 25. These experts, who are entrusted with the mission of giving necessary technical advice to the Chinese Communist Army as well as in the organization of agriculture and industry in Shensi Province, will play leading parts as technical advisers to the Yen'an Government in the future development in the military and economic fields in North-west China.

U.S. Military Prisoners Stage Huge Revolt

Lisbon, June 2 (Domei)—Nine barracks were set afire and a soldier-guard and a civilian fireman were killed on Thursday when approximately 1,900 American military prisoners, including many who were court-martialled overseas for such serious offences as murder and rape, staged a revolt at Fort Benjamin Harrison, near Indianapolis, Indiana, according to an American dispatch.

The immediate cause of the riot was believed to be the extra duty ruling imposed on prisoners for infractions of regulations. The disturbance, regarded as a "planned affair," broke out when the military prisoners on Thursday night began throwing stones at the guards and electric lights.

Foe Raids Kagoshima & Miyazaki Districts

Fukuoka, June 4 (Domei)—Some 170 carrier-borne Grumman F4F's and F6F's from an Okinawa base raided our airbases in the Kagoshima and Miyazaki districts from 8 a.m. on Sunday morning.

Little Entities United Against "Big-5" Powers

Lisbon, June 1 (Domei)—"The French use of force to get concessions from Syria and Lebanon has strengthened the revolt of the little United Nations against the absolute Big Five domination of the new peace league," a United Press dispatch reported today from San Francisco.

Although the delegates at the San Francisco Conference are trying to keep the Levant issue out of the proceedings, the Near East crisis, nevertheless, it said, "has hung over every meeting like a dark cloud—far more ominous than even the Big Three's failure to settle the Polish issue."

The Levant crisis was reported to be worrying the delegates as there is no getting away from the fact that in the Near East dispute two members of the proposed world security organization have been in effect "at war."

On top of this, Britain, with American support, has intervened with the use of force—all of which seems to spell a gloomy future for the proposed world organization whose purpose is to end wars through the prevention of "threat or use of force."

The dispatch said that every delegate is conscious that the new world organization as it is now would be unable to take effective action in the Near East, because France, as a permanent member of the Security Council, would be able to veto any decision it does not like.

The Levant crisis has emphasized the main argument of the little powers—their weakness against any use of force by the big powers. It has strengthened their fear that if the proposed world organization were approved as it is today, the small

People's Volunteer Corps Being Rapidly Formed

Tokyo, June 4 (Domei)—The organization of the People's Volunteer Corps, aimed at strengthening and mobilizing Nippon's national power both in the productive fields and the defence services, is making smooth progress throughout the country, according to reports reaching here today. All prefectural headquarters of the Volunteer Corps have been established within last month as scheduled, with the selection of the necessary personnel completed.

Under the direction of these prefectural headquarters, municipal as well as town and village offices throughout the nation have already started organizing the Volunteer Corps, while Government offices, large business concerns and various public bodies are rushing the organization of the Volunteer Corps in different branches of activities.

American Casualties Hits One Million Mark

Lisbon, June 1 (Domei)—American over-all combat casualties in the current war have passed the 1,000,000 mark, with the latest Army and Navy losses placed respectively at 890,000 and 112,000, an American dispatch reported today.

De Gaulle Blames British Govt. For Near East Crisis

Zurich, June 2 (Domei)—General Charles de Gaulle, Head of the French Provisional Government, in a press conference at Paris today, sharply accused Britain of breaking the Lavantine Treaty with the publication of British Prime Minister Winston Churchill's intervention note on May 31 and inferred that the blame for the Near East crisis lay in London, according to a Paris dispatch.

Addressing 150 foreign correspondents, de Gaulle said that the treaty in question, which was signed between him and Oliver Lyttleton in July 1941, provided for French command of forces in Syria and Lebanon and expressed French willingness to negotiate Levantine independence.

"This treaty was in effect until May 31, at 4.30 p.m., when Churchill's note was sent," de Gaulle said.

In a strong attack on British policy in the Near East, de Gaulle emphasized that France has had special interests in the Near East and inferred that Britain repeatedly has sought to obstruct French policy.

Meantime, a British Foreign Office commentator today was quoted in a London dispatch as declaring that it was "impossible to foresee the next diplomatic move" in the Levant crisis.

He confirmed that Soviet anxiety over the Levant crisis has been officially conveyed to the British Government but suggested that the Russians were not directly involved because it concerned the war with Nippon in which Russia is not involved.

nations could do nothing more than investigate and recommend settlements of disputes, the United Press message said.

New Census Taking To Commence Here Shortly

A census of the people of Syonan and the neighbouring islands will shortly be taken and is expected to be completed by the end of the month, according to an announcement released by the Tokubetsu authorities.

Apart from bringing up-to-date the census of two years ago, the new census will greatly expedite the authorities in the smooth execution of their work and at the same time ensure fair distribution of rations.

Based generally on the same lines as the last census the new census taking will entail visits by police and auxiliary police representatives to houses and it is hoped that the public will give their utmost co-operation to facilitate the work of those responsible for the census taking.

Intense Soviet Interest In Middle East Affairs

Zurich, June 1 (Domei)—Indicative of intense Soviet interest and concern in Middle East affairs, both the Soviet press and radio today gave lengthy news accounts of the latest development in the Levant States, according to a Moscow dispatch.

The Associated Press said that the interest with which the Russians are following the situation is suggested by the fact that the morning news cast was devoted entirely to a story on Middle East developments, contrary to the usual summary of world events.

Nippon Commander Lauds Heroism Of Heiho Amutt

A Frontline base in the Southern Regions, June 2 (Domei)—Lauding the late Naval Joto Heiho Amutt who died the death of a hero as a member of a special attack corps on the Tarakan front and who was posthumously given double-rank promotion to Nito Heihocho, the Commandant of the garrison forces on Tarakan informed that Amutt who joined the Nippon Naval Auxiliary Service in September last year was inspired by his father's deathbed instruction that he should never serve the white race but collaborate fully with Nippon, making East Asia a paradise for coloured races to live in.

According to the Commandant, Amutt was ever a model Heiho and always inspired the others with his enthusiasm and fighting spirit. Commenting on his heroic death, the Commandant emphatically expressed the belief Amutt's heroic sacrifice would inspire the million other Indonesians to go all-out in collaborating with Nippon forces in the defence of the homeland and making East Asia a paradise for coloured races.

Soviet Union Recalls San 'Frisco Delegate

Lisbon, June 3 (Domei)—Immediately following the Soviet Union's rejection of any modification of the big powers' voting right in the proposed world security organization, Moscow suddenly has recalled A. A. Sobolev, one of its principal delegates to the San Francisco Conference, according to a Reuter dispatch.

Sobolev's abrupt recall, the dispatch said, has puzzled delegates at the San Francisco Conference.

The Russian spokesman at San Francisco, revealing that Sobolev left for Moscow on Friday, today declined to comment on the reasons for the latter's recall.

Nimitz Admits Long And Tough War In Pacific Front

Lisbon, June 1 (Domei)—Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Pacific Fleet, today declared that a "long and tough" battle confronts the Americans in the Pacific Theatre, according to a Guam dispatch. "The enemy is still strong and fanatically determined not to yield," he said.



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